Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 05 Oct 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 06 Oct 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 05 Oct 2023 at 03:05 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for extent of low cloud on Thursday. High for unsettled weather with heavy rain on Friday and Saturday. Low on Sunday.

Headline for Thursday 05 Oct 2023: Cloudy and windy with rain, drier later.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 05 Oct 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					FOG
Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Fog
Precipitation probability					
70%	90%	90%	90%	40%	70%

Forecast for Thursday 05 Oct 2023

Weather: A cloudy day with outbreaks of rain extending northeast through the morning. The afternoon will see further spells of rain, heavy at times, these turning lighter and patchier in nature later. Drier weather will develop through the evening. Windy with summit gales.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%

Low Cloud and visibility: Poor visibility in extensive cloud down to 500 to 800 metres with lower patches

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	21/25 S	24/29 SE	35/44 SE	43/54 S	41/54 SW	42/55 SW	40/54 SW
900	13/18 S	15/19 SE	24/33 SE	28/39 S	30/41 SW	29/41 SW	30/42 SW
600	10/12 NE	13/17 S	27/33 S	38/48 S	38/50 SW	36/48 SW	34/47 SW
300	4/6 E	9/15 SE	17/26 SE	20/30 S	22/35 SW	23/36 SW	21/34 SW
Glen	3/5 SE	4/10 E	6/19 SE	14/29 SW	17/34 SW	18/35 SW	16/32 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	4/-1	5/-0	5/-1	8/2	8/2	7/1	6/-1
900	6/2	6/2	7/3	9/5	10/5	9/4	8/3
600	9/6	10/8	11/7	11/6	11/6	11/6	10/5
300	10/10	11/10	12/9	13/10	13/9	12/9	12/8
Glen	10/9	11/11	13/12	14/12	14/12	14/11	13/11
Freezing Level*	2200m	2300m	2700m	2700m	2600m	2300m	2100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Becoming very windy through the afternoon and evening with summits gales, drenching conditions developing in rain.

Forecast for Friday 06 Oct 2023
Weather: A cloudy day with outbreaks of rain, this is likely to turn persistent and heavy across southern Lochaber and Argyll by afternoon. There's a chance that Arran and southern Kintyre may see more in the way of drier weather.

Maximum wind: Westerly 30 mph with gusts to 40 mph on the summits, but nearer 60 mph at first on the highest tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%

Low Cloud and visibility: Poor visibility in extensive low cloud down to 400 to 700 metres for much of daylight hours.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 rising to 15 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 11 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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